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Rick & Lani: Thank you!!

Dear Editor:

Thank you for your coverage of the passage and implementation of the Domestic Partnership Ordinance in Sacramento. This is an important issue for our community and we all benefit from your reporting.

In response to a River City Democratic Club questionnaire, Mayor Anne Rudin called for the drafting and adoption of an ordinance that would recognize the changing look of our city's families.

The Sacramento Family Diversity Task Force, a coalition of organizations representing the gays and lesbians, seniors, disabled, and ethnic minorities, was formed to offer assistance to the mayor. Initial meetings were well attended and the drive was on. Glenn Mitchell and I were elected co-chairs of the group, and Eileen Gillis replaced Glenn when he stepped down.

Too many individuals worked on the various committees to thank in this short letter. Eileen and I are both dedicated to continue working with the community to see how the ordinance is working and if it can and where it should be expanded. The county is certainly a possibility. We will ask for much guidance, assistance, and involvement in the very near future and hope that we will find many people willing to get involved.

At the party organized by RCDC to celebrate the first day of registration, many words of appreciation and congratulations were exchanged. However, many more need to be recognized. Eileen and I thank all who worked to make this ordinance a reality. We do live in a wonderful community with many reasons to be grateful, and many reasons to continue working.

On a personal note, I would very much like to thank Lani Kaneerwalraven and Rick Cole for graciously allowing Ralph and me to be the first couple to register. They were the first in line and waited patiently to become the first registered couple. However, they kindly stepped aside and Ralph and I will always be grateful. Thank you, Rick and Lani.

Sincerely,
Michael Boyd

Loving energy

Dear Editor:

I received the flyer and letter announcing the lapse of my subscription. I would like to explain my reasons for not renewing. I have no complaints about the paper, it's been wonderful and I usually read it in its entirety.

Although I would like to continue to support your business, I cannot financially afford to do so. I am currently on disability and need to cut costs. When I first subscribed I was new in town, had no car and had limited access to the community. Now I am able to pick up *MGW* free at any number of locations.

I will continue to read your paper and I wish you much success. I will support you in spirit by sending loving energy that visualizes sufficient funds be sent your way from others who are more financially prosperous than I am currently.

In Peace & Light,
Gwendolyn Peace

Margie Adam back out

Dear Linda:

What a great photo (the big one) and a wonderful interview in *MGW* last month. I just got to reading the November issue and was really happy to see you out front in the paper on its anniversary.

You may have heard I'm out and about performing again — it's true. And I'm very happy about it all. A new recording, *Another Place* will be out in this month. Amazing!

Thanks for keeping me on *MGW's* mailing list.

Sincerely,
Margie Adams

Thanks from a new business owner

Dear Editor:

I want to thank you for publishing my recent press release announcing the opening of my store, Genesis Male. The exceptional placement of the announcement has helped my store generate needed attention and foot traffic.

As a result of the positive results of the press release coverage, I recently signed a six issue advertising contract with your paper. I hope that my ad will be as eye catching as the press release was and that it will produce needed sales.

Best wishes for a Happy New Year and thank you again for the coverage. I will look forward to working with you and your staff throughout the year.

Sincerely,
Lon W. Garbis

What is the big deal?

Dear Editor:

Last year Dave Barry stated in one of his columns that Americans are "dumb as fungus." I thought that was a little harsh. Later a South African friend of mine observed that Californians have no appreciation of sarcasm. I thought she was making much too sweeping a generalization. The more I read people's reactions to Bob Cook's controversial commentary on gays and lesbians in the military, however, the more I am inclined to agree with both those statements. I did not see the Channel 40 segment in question, so I missed out on the eye-rolling, winking and other paralinguistic behaviors identifying Cook's remarks as sarcasm, but I have read those remarks, and I cannot imagine how any person of average intelligence could interpret them as anything but satire! I find it amazing that so many Sacramentans seem to have nothing better to do these days than pick apart Bob Cook and his obviously-sarcastic commentary, thereby demonstrating to the world their resemblance to those really expensive mushrooms at the Co-op. What IS the big deal?

Sincerely,
Wade Dowdell

Hurting gay businesses in Colorado

Dear Editor:

We are very pleased with the efforts of the boycott and the national response to the amendment. However, we need your help!

We've been waking up to the reality that the Colorado Boycott, mostly by the gay community, is hurting us more than the amendment ever could, because we're a "GAY ONLY" lodge. This past holiday season ordinarily we should have been sold out, but due to cancellations, we only had four guests from Denver. WE WILL NOT SURVIVE WITH THIS KIND OF BOYCOTT!

What is now needed is a "SMART" boycott.

We're killing the gay business that depend on 75 percent out-of-state visitors. There are many gay lodges in the mountains.

We need to pull together and we need your help to beat this thing and to survive. The anti-gay community would love nothing more than to see us go out of business.

The majority of this state is NOT in support of this amendment. Recent surveys show CLEARLY, there was absolute confusion by about 25 percent of the voters about the wording, and therefore what they were voting FOR or AGAINST! I almost voted "YES". Only after a quick moment when all the "pounding" by the local gay media came through, "NO! NO! NO on 2!" The "right-wingers" managed not only to confuse our voters, but their BIGGEST PRIZE is to watch the gay community boycott their own business!

Travel agents should not steer clients away from Colorado, rather, they should steer them to the gay business!!! Help make our gay community stronger, not weaker.

THE SNOW IS GREAT, and we miss you!

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UNDER THE DOME

U.S. lags behind Canada in granting gay and lesbian rights

by Darcy Plymire
MGW Staff

Nearly two-thirds of Canada's provinces prohibit discrimination against lesbians and gays, and the Canadian military now access gays and lesbians.

A lawsuit by former Canadian air force lieutenant Michelle Douglas finally forced Canada to drop its ban on gays in the military last October. The military is now faced with the task of fighting entrenched homophobia in the ranks.

The end of the ban puts Canada in step with European countries such as Germany and the Netherlands and with Australia which recently ended its ban on gays in the military. In addition, Canada's move puts extra pressure on President-elect clinton to make good on his pledge to open the U.S. military to gay and lesbian personnel.

"It will take courage for President Clinton to change the policy, but it's a decision that will be worthwhile," said Douglas.

Other social changes have put Canada in the forefront of the movement to extend legal rights to gays and lesbians. Seven of Canada's 12 provinces explicitly prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, compared to seven out of 50 U.S. states. In addition, Justice Minister Kim Campbell recently announced her intention to introduce a bill amending the Canadian Human Rights Act to proscribe discrimination against gays and lesbians. That amendment would be similar in scope to an amendment of the 1964 U.S. Civil Rights Act.

Finally, a court ruling has effectively made Canada the first country in the world to provide constitutional protection of gay and lesbian rights and prohibit discrimination. In deciding a 1990 case involving conjugal visits for gay prisoners, a federal court ruled that while the Charter of Rights did not mention homosexuals explicitly, it included them by implication.

In a decision last August, an Ontario appeals court ruled that the Human Rights Act was unconstitutional for failing to legally protect gays and lesbians. Effectively, this changed the law.

The changes wrought by these rulings have opened a new legal avenue for gays and lesbians. The Canadian system of federal and provincial human rights commissions may now be used to pursue charges in cases of discrimination based on sexual preference. These commissions investigate and mediate in discrimination cases free of charge.

With the help of these commissions, gays are bringing challenges to court, and sometimes, winning. In one such case, the Ontario Provincial Rights Commission ordered that all references to the "opposite sex" be dropped from the government's definition of marriage and pension benefits be offered to spouses of gay government employees.

A federal case, brought by a government employee denied the right to bereavement leave to attend his lover's funeral, may rewrite the definition of the family in Canada. This would open the door to broadly equal treatment of gay and lesbian couples under the law.

Conservatives in Canada protest that a positive outcome for gays and lesbians would but a huge financial strain on the government's pension plan when thousands of non-traditional couples applied.

The Canadian Justice Department and Justice Minister Campbell will try to deny spousal benefits to gays and lesbians by inserting a definition of marriage that does not include same-sex couples into her amendment to the Human Rights Act.

"I don't know of a jurisdiction in the world that recognizes same-sex marriage," Campbell said.

The Canadian Justice Department agrees that it is a mistake to believe that "... homosexual marriages are in fact identical ... to heterosexual ones," and "Marriage remains the most important social institution ..."

In the climate of anti-gay and lesbian prejudice that lingers in Canada, further progress in the courts will be hard fought, and the pace of change may not be fast enough to satisfy many gays and human rights lawyers.▼

Canada makes herstory

by Carol Philipps
Special to MGW

History was made in Canada this year when the New Democratic Party nominated Betty Baxter to run for Parliament. She will be the first out lesbian ever to run for national office in Canada.

There is currently only one openly gay member of the Canadian Parliament, Svend Robinson, and only a handful of out, gay politicians at local and provincial (state) levels.

Betty Baxter is well known in the Gay Games movement and was one of the principal organizers of Celebration 90, the 1990 Gay Games held in Vancouver. She runs a small educational business and is a former Olympic athlete.

Over the last few years, there has been an unprecedented rise in the number of court challenges, and in 1992 there has been an avalanche of pro-gay and lesbian judgments — many of which have inspired new interpretations of existing rights legislation.

These crucial victories come within a sinister context.

Justice Minister Kim Campbell (who now holds the seat Betty Baxter will campaign for) has used these court

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Photo special to MGW

Betty Baxter, first Canadian lesbian to run for Parliament.

COMMENTARY

Now, more than ever: April 25, 1993

by Derek Charles Livingston
Special to MGW

We are less than six months away from the third national March on Washington organized by our community. Now, more than ever, it is imperative that nothing stop every member (and supporter) of the lesbian, gay and bisexual communities from being in Washington, D.C. on April 25, 1993. We are poised on the brink of irrevocable change in our lives, and we must rise to the challenge that will push us to the side of equal rights and liberation.

The Clinton-Gore victory, hard fought and won by many of us, can not be treated as the ultimate prize. The battle for our lives is far greater than that. Indeed, our imminent freedom is still too tenuous to pin much hope on the resident-elect of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. Clinton, for example, campaigned hard for our votes and even uttered the "G" (but not the "L" word) in his acceptance speech at the Democratic Convention. However, in the campaign that ensued he repeatedly insisted that he was not condoning our "lifestyle" nor did he favor the right for legal recognition of our partnerships (a right he, assuredly, takes for granted).

Clinton's biggest promise to our community may not occur with all good speed. There are open rumors that Clinton may not lift the ban on gays in the military in his first 100 days, or even his first 100 weeks. It may go, instead, to some murky presidential commission where, experience shows, we will surely sink.

If one believes, nonetheless, that Clinton will be supportive of our needs in his days as President, we have to be there at the beginning to support him in the tough battles ahead — the March on Washington is on the 95th day of his presidency.

While many of us rejoice at winning the White House, we cannot forget that we lost in Tampa, Florida and in Colorado. These defeats only give the bigoted, anti-human, homo-haters hope that they can take their referenda to 49 other states (Oregon homophobes are re-writing their ordinance to resemble Colorado's) and countless municipalities. One federal bill can act as an immediate dam to a watershed of fights that can only zap a generation's worth of our community's strength. We have a president who will sign such a bill, but we have to convince Congress to pass it.

Obviously the Clinton victory, and other victories this year, give us reason to hope that we will finally be heard. But we can't let this attitude lead to complacency. We must come to the March just as angry as ever. Witness how precarious our lives are:

— This past year the mainstream press finally asked politicians and polled straight America on their views of gay rights and "gay lifestyle," but they failed to ask us how we feel, what we need.

— More celebrities are out-of-the-closet than ever before, but their personal lives are treated like private shames rather than declarations of love and pride.

—We are popping up as characters on prime-time television in unprecedented numbers, and yet we remain marginal, one-time-only characters.

— More and more straight celebrities are supporting AIDS causes and decrying AIDS phobia, but they are silent on the homophobia that is the root of the disease's stigma.

— We are beginning to enjoy a host of support from liberal and moderate politicians, while simultaneously the right wing is organizing against us.

The scale tips in our favor and then is counterbalanced against us. Even so, we have never been so close to ensuring that our loves and our lives are accorded the inalienable rights supposedly granted to us.

April 25, 1993 is the chance for us to tip the scales to our side.

For a year we have debated the racial and gender composition of regional representatives, we have debated the platform, we have debated the March's name. The debates we have among ourselves are healthy and welcome; they are a testament to what a diverse, vibrant community we are. When we march, however, our voices and presence will focus on the real enemies: any law or any one who stands in the way of us achieving our rights.

I urge you, therefore, to take every step to attend the April 25, 1993 March on Washington for Lesbian, Gay and Bi Equal rights and Liberation. The stakes are too high, and our lives are too important for us not to be in our nation's capitol for this most serious and vital occasion.

Derek Charles Livingston, an African American man who lives in Providence, RI, is one of the four national co-chairs for the 1993 March on Washington for Lesbian, Gay and Bi Equal Rights and Liberation. He was born and reared in Sacramento. Livingston attended Grant Union High School where he was Student Body President.▼

The Religious Right is Fundamentally Wrong

Lesbian and gay marriage ...

The best option??

by Eileen S. Gillis

The prospect of lesbian and gay marriage seems closer than it ever has before. Last year, California Assembly Member John Burton introduced A.B. 167, a bill to amend the marital statutes allowing same-sex partners to marry. This bill was defeated in committee, but its introduction made real our potential ability to marry.

Despite some people's expectations, the idea of "gay marriage" receives mixed reaction from our community. Much of the opposition comes from lesbians and gay men and legal theorists who believe that asking for legal sanction under traditional marriage laws risks undermining our efforts to build healthy alternative relationships. These theorists believe we should not seek benefits and legal protection under traditional marriage laws because these were developed from a social structure that has been historically anti-women and anti-gay?

The argument goes like this. Traditional marriage laws were designed to subjugate women, making them the legal property of men. Under early common-law principals, women did not even have a *legal identity. They could not enter contracts or make* enforceable agreements and thus were forced to marry men in order to take on some legal identity ... that of their husbands! So, why should we seek to sanction our relationships under these laws?

These same critics argue that efforts to pursue gay marriage are not worth it. Rather, we should invest our limited political energy in other places, for examples, child custody or employment rights. The underlying fear is that by pursuing "gay marriage," we will buy into reinforcing patriarchal legal structures to resolve conflict and subvert real social change by tacitly approving the underlying social white, male supremacist order.

These critics also fear we will internalize the oppressive ideas and opinions underlying marriage and that this will hinder our efforts to develop our own unique vision of 'family." They worry that this internalization process will become the lesbian and gay community's "common sense." As summarized by lesbian attorney Paula Ettelbrick, upon rejecting marriage as an appropriate ambition for lesbians, "marriage will not liberate us as lesbians ... In fact, it will constrain us, make us invisible [and] force our assimilation into the mainstream.

Will we lose the complexity of our developing family structures by putting our energy into pursuing state approved relationships? Do we risk sacrificing our essence and our passion by attempting to calibrate our lives to conform to heterosexual models or by "hetero-relationizing?"

Eileen S. Gillis is an Associate Attorney at Metrailer & Langenkamp, practicing in the area of family law and domestic partnerships.▼

Under early common-law principals, women did not even have legal identity!

Canadian Betty Baker

from pg. 3

decisions to back away from a promise of legal protection the government made in 1986, claiming that changes to the Human Rights code are no longer necessary. Unless the code is officially changed to protect our rights, lesbians and gays are still clearly at risk.

Campbell has been consistently duplicitous on the issue of lesbian and gay rights. She is promoted as a supporter of gay rights by her own party but, in reality, has appealed every pro-gay ruling that has come to pass during her term as Minister. She has also repeatedly caved in to pressure from a group of ultra-conservative politicians who form the "family caucus" — which promotes a fundamentalist anti-gay, anti-woman approach to legislation and has been instrumental in quashing a number of progressive initiatives.

Campbell's continual stalling on promised legislation is especially galling to voters in her district. Campbell is Member of Parliament for Vancouver Centre in British Columbia — a district which holds the largest concentration of gays and lesbians in Canada. She won her hotly contested seat narrowly in 1988 in large part because of the aggressive overtures she made to the gay community there.

Because she must face challenger Betty Baxter in the upcoming election, Campbell is now in serious danger of reaping the consequences of her disingenuous politicking.

Baxter has been an active member of her community for many years and has consistently and passionately demonstrated a progressive social agenda. She has also felt the sting of homophobia — in 1982 she was fired as coach from the Canadian Olympic women's volleyball team because she was openly lesbian.

Despite Betty Baxter's strong position in her district, she faces an uphill battle fighting a cabinet minister with seemingly unlimited resources and access to the media. The right wing Conservative party will be reluctant to part with Kim Campbell. She is most often touted as the probable successor to Conservative leader and Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and the Conservatives are expected to pour a great deal of money into her campaign to keep her afloat.

This is a crucial election for lesbians and gay men in Canada. If Kim Campbell and the right wing Conservative Party to which she belongs win another five year term we are in danger of losing precious ground. The Conservatives will almost certainly continue to appeal court victories and to stall progressive legislation. Progressive legislation on gay rights in countries like Canada could have considerable influence in the United States, but we need more openly lesbian and gay politicians here in order to fight for that legislation.

Victory is within our grasp and a Baxter win will advance the international struggle for lesbian and gay rights.

If you would like to contact Betty's campaign, or make a financial contribution, write to: Betty Baxter Campaign, 3605 West 8th Ave., Vancouver, British Columbia, Can., V6R 1Y9, phone: (604) 669-6220.▼

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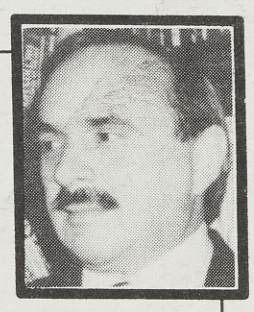
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District 5 city council race underway

by Darcy Plymire
MGW Staff

The race to fill the Sacramento City Council seat vacated by newly-elected Mayor Joe Serna Jr. is underway. Four women and two men have declared their candidacy for the District 5 position.

The district encompasses the neighborhoods of Oak Park, Curtis Park, Woodbine, Hollywood Park, and Elmhurst. The special election to fill the seat will take place on March 2. Under city law the seat must be filled by a special election because the remainder of Serna's term is more than a year. The next regularly scheduled election for District 5 is in summer 1994.

The candidates are:

- Jean Shaw-Connelly, a Presbyterian minister and a founding member of the Elmhurst Neighborhood Association.

- Patrick D. Kennedy, founding president of the Hollywood Park Neighborhood Association and a member of the River City Democratic Club.

- Barbara J. Arnold, a surgeon and ophthalmologist who has served in the Sierra-Curtis Neighborhood Association.

- Deborah Ortiz, one-time leader of the Latino Coalition for Fair Sacramento Redistricting and a member of the River City Democratic Club.

- Joe Debbs, an employee of Southern Pacific railroad who has served on several neighborhood boards.

- Ella Hall-Coates, a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the Black Women's Network.

All of the candidates, save Barbara J. Arnold, appeared at the December meeting of the RCDC for a question and answer session. At the end of the session the membership of the RCDC voted to give its endorsement to Deborah Ortiz. *MGW Newspaper* and CAP PAC will present their endorsements next month.▼

Former cop sues city over harassment

by Darcy Plymire
MGW Staff

A former Sacramento police officer has filed a $6.5 million suit against the Sacramento Police department. Steven F. Stafford claims that he was harassed, denied promotion, and ultimately fired because of the tenor of his voice.

Fellow officers and superiors constantly made jokes and outrageous statements about his "unmanly" voice during Stafford's 14-year career. Stafford has a high-pitched and somewhat effeminate voice.

The pattern of harassment began when he was presented with a pink baton upon graduation from the policy academy and continued with open questions about his sexuality from superiors and coworkers. His official personnel file contained entries such as, "Warning, this officer is a potential AIDS carrier."

Stafford claims that the hostile environment engendered by this type of abuse led to his dismissal from the force in July of 1992. His suit alleges that superiors suggested wearing rubber gloves to protect them from AIDS when dealing with Stafford, and told Stafford to take voice lessons.

An anonymous officer said that it was common knowledge that some "middle management officers" ridiculed Stafford.

The ridicule happened the offer said, "Because a couple of lieutenants thought the officer was gay, because of his voice," and he continued, "No one should be treated like that, whether or not he is gay."

The City of Sacramento has been named as co-defendant in the case because it was aware of police misconduct but did nothing to stop it. Both the city and the Police Department have declined to comment on the suit while it is pending.▼

Channel 13 seeks nominees

Channel 13 (KOVR) is accepting nominations for the 1993 Northern California Jefferson awards, which recognize public service benefiting local communities.

Activities that qualify for nomination include assistance to senior and low-income citizens, children, the disabled and developmentally disabled or homeless.▼

Film festival a financial success

MGW/Lou Camera

On January 7, Delta Lambda President James Delaire and GLAS President Allan Cole presented checks to Susan Strong, executive director of CARES, and Jake Steuble, executive director of the Lambda Center. The checks were from the net profit raised by the Sacramento Gay and Lesbian Film Festival in October.▼

Black gay and lesbian conference scheduled

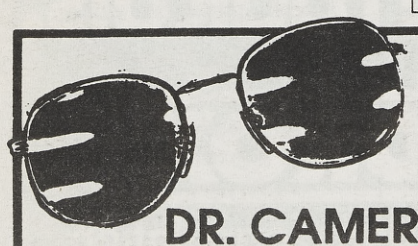
The 6th National Black Gay and Lesbian Conference and Institutes will take place February 11-15 at the Hilton Hotel in Long Beach, California. This year's theme, "Black Lesbians and Gays: Building Bridges, Making Connections," will focus on the inherent need to bridge the gaps that separate us around issues of gender, race and sexual orientation.

This year Brandy Moore of San Francisco will receive the Bayard Rustin Award which is given annually to a black lesbian or gay man who has advanced the interest of the black lesbian and gay community through the political process. The United Lesbians of African Heritage will receive the Harriet Tubman Award which is given annually to an organization which has made significant contributions to the welfare of black lesbians and gays.

Angela Davis

Bell Hooks

Speakers will include Angela Davis and Bell Hooks. This year Davis, who spoke at the 2nd annual conference, will return to the conference to deliver the openly plenary keynote. Davis is internationally known for her contributions to issues on racial equality, women's rights and world peace. Bell Hooks, a feminist scholar will be featured at the closing ceremony of the conference. Bell is currently a professor at Oberlin College in the Department of English and Women's studies. Her book, *Ain't I a Woman,* published in 1981, was named one of the "20 most influential women's books of the last 20 years" in a Publisher's Weekly poll in May 1992.▼



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HIV NEWSLINE

by Sonya Cox
HIV/AIDS Editor

Wow! Thanks!!...

*The holidays wouldn't be complete without a concert by our Sacramento Men's Chorus. This year's event overwhelmed us with a sense of family and community, ending with director/composer/arranger Carl Naluai calling up former members from the audience to join the singers on stage, and with Chorus member Frank Lawler announcing that a percentage of every ticket sold for the two-day "Winter Dreams" concert series is being donated to the Sacramento AIDS Foundation's Hand-to-Hand Project. Over $800 will go to Hand-to-Hand, which "matches" Foundation clients with AIDS to a volunteer who stays by their side as they go through their fight with this disease.

*Thanks to Foundation board member Tom DesRosier, whose annual holiday fundraiser this year brought in nearly $13,000 for the agency. The spectacular event, held at the Capitol Club's Renaissance Room, was attended by over 260 guests whose generosity helps support programs that benefit the hundreds of AIDS Foundation clients.

*Thanks to the Fairy Godfathers Fund which plays Santa year-round. The Godfathers pay the daily fee for televisions used by patients in the UCD Medical Center's AIDS wards — a generous service much appreciated by these folks and their families and friends.

*Thanks to Lucky's on F Street and to Nancy Beach and Lisa Williams at the Bel Air in North Highlands for donating over 100 grocery bags to the AIDS Foundation for their Food Exchange program last month; it's much appreciated, especially after the Alhambra Safeway said it was against their policy to either donate or sell grocery bags to anyone.

Volunteer this year?...

More and more volunteers are needed to help Sacramento agencies meet the continuing challenges of this AIDS epidemic that has taken away from us many of our best and brightest, while at the same time teaching us what love, joy, hope, compassion, and solidarity are all about. If you've been touched by this epidemic, you can play a vital role by contributing dollars or time to Sacramento AIDS agencies. Consider calling the Sacramento AIDS Foundation (448-2437, Monday-Friday 9:00-5:00) for information about helping with the Hand-to-Hand Project (where a volunteer is matched one-on-one with a client with AIDS to provide emotional or practical support); Phone Buddies (where a volunteer is matched only by telephone to one or more clients whom they may never meet); the Food Exchange Program (which delivers discounted food one Saturday morning per month to Sacramentans watching their budgets; helping clients fill out complex Social Security and other benefits forms; front-desk telephone or administrative assistance; or numerous other Foundation jobs. Or call CARES at 443-3299 to ask about volunteer opportunities with educational outreach, telephone or administrative assistance, or other tasks. Or give Franklin Kakies of Lambda Community Center a call (at 442-0185) to help with teen outreach and other projects that are part of the Center's AIDS Response Program.

Expanded definition's impact...

Coming in with the new year was the CDC's new, expanded list of diseases and infections that constitute an official AIDS diagnosis. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta says it will be April before they recalculate the impact the addition of 4 "AIDS-defining" criteria to the current list of 23 will have on this country. Last year, 50,000 people were newly-diagnosed with AIDS. This year, it may be 90,000. The four new criteria are invasive cervical cancer, pulmonary tuberculosis, recurrent pneumonia, and a T-cell count of under 200 — finally adding to the list illnesses experienced by women and IV drug users. Having an official CDC diagnosis opens the doors for people to receive community services, enter trials, have access to medications. How the addition of thousands upon thousands of people will impact an already-overwhelmed system is not yet known. It's estimated that 1 million Americans are positive with the HIV virus, and that as many as 190,000 currently have fewer than 200 T-cells but don't know it because they haven't yet been tested. Over the past decade, the CDC says 250,000 Americans have been diagnosed with AIDS, and 160,000 have died. In Sacramento, the new year pushed our total number of cases since the beginning of the epidemic over the thousand mark — to 1,018 cases, and a crushing loss of 673 people. These numbers, of course, are based on CDC's outdated definition, and don't include those whose families have never acknowledged the true cause of their deaths. Because of these factors, the true devastation of this disease will never be known.

AZT intolerance passed on?...

One researcher says he believes that an intolerance to the AIDS drug AZT can sometimes also be passed to a person, along with the HIV virus, during unsafe sex. I'm sure we'll hear more about this later.

Extra protection for health workers...

Knight Industries of Florida announces release of its new product, Viro Glove, a protective antiseptic barrier that, like non-oxynol 9 (one of the ingredients in the product), appears to kill HIV, staph and strep, gonorrhea, herpes, candida, influenza, and other bacteria for 4-6 hours. Applied like a hand lotion and used under latex gloves, it works as backup protection against needle punctures in medical settings. ($20 for 8-oz bottle; for copies of clinical tests, or for more info, call Colleen at 305/942-8708).▼

FAREWELL

Michael W. Barrett

Michael W. Barrett passed away at his home in Sacramento on December 27, 1992. He was 33 years old.

Barrett was born in Missouri and moved to Southern California as a child. He graduated from Westminister High School with honors in 1976, and moved to Sacramento soon afterward.

He attended Sac City College and Sacramento State University, graduating from the latter with a B.S. in Business Administration in 1986. While at Sac State, he was active in the Rho Epilson real estate fraternity.

A commitment to the community led Michael to serve in many civic organizations, including a stint on the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Tree Foundation. He was active in Democratic politics and campaigned for former mayor Anne Rudin and President-elect Bill Clinton. He owned and operated the Capitol Pacific Properties management company and was the assistant manager of Long's Drugs at Quail Lakes in Stockton for the past several years.

Michael is survived by John Bennett, his lover of many years; his parents Harlene and Virgil Barrett; sister Christi; brother Mark and his nieces, Hawley and Taylor, all of Sacramento. He is remembered by his grandparents Irene and Harley Mather of Diamond Springs; uncle Robert Mather of Grand Junction, CO; grandmother Marjorie Barrett; and aunts, Helen Bywater of Tarkio, MO; and Patricia Peterson of Shenandoah, IA.

His parents held an open house honoring Michael in their Curtis Park home on January 5, 1993. The family wishes to acknowledge and thank those who gave so much in time, support, and consideration during Michael's illness. They request that donations be made in Michael's name to the Sacramento AIDS Foundation, 920 29th St., 95814.▼

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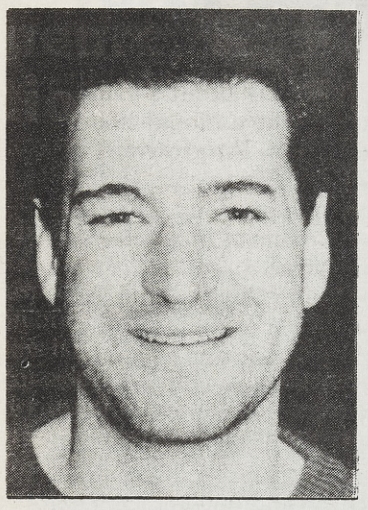
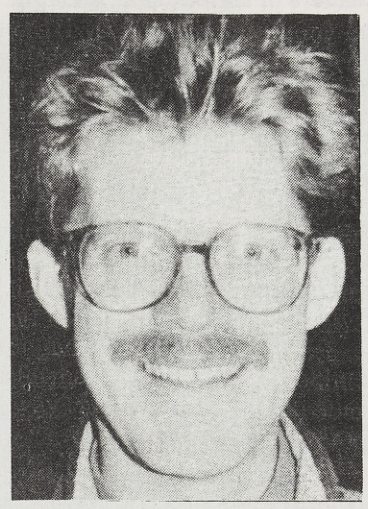


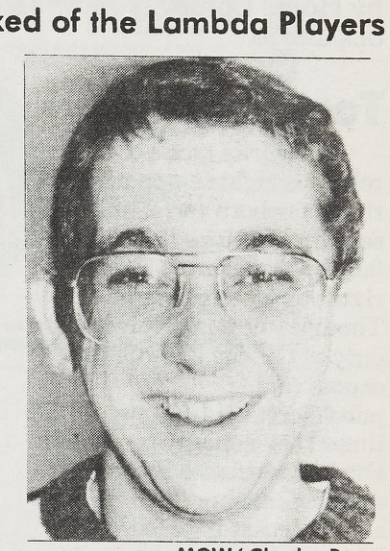
Thomas Bach
It'll be denied, but it is there - there's racism in all communities.

Jenny Hoye
Of course. It has to be, we're the same as everybody else and racism is everywhere.



Patrick Zeglarski
I would hope there isn't - I've never been witness to it.

Lisa Brodkey
I think there is racism in every community.



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David Borad
Yes. Lots of it and it's blatant. But I think it's symptomatic of society as a whole - not just our community.

NEWS CLIPS

300 years since Salem witch hunt

Between the 14th and 17th centuries in Europe and America scholars estimate anti-woman and anti-queer violence perpetrated by church and state led to the deaths of 12 million people; the ratio is about 150 women to 1 man. This year, Salem, Mass., marks the 300th anniversary of their famous witch hunt and trial in which several hundred were tried and 20 were put to death. Nicola Davenport, a lesbian member of a coven just outside Danvers, Mass., says, "If you look at the history of what actually happened here, you see that the big fear was women's sexuality ... All accused were women except for a handful of men who were suspect either because they were in some way related to these women or because they were gay themselves ... "Those who died were buried in a mass grave near Gallows Hill in unconsecrated ground. A memorial, designed by architect James Cutler and artist Maggie Smith, was commissioned. A tiny park just behind the cemetery on Charter Street is surrounded by heavy stones of the type used to "press" the witches to death. The stones form a wall and benches and are inscribed with the names and phrases spoken. Yet beyond the walls off Charter Street, in the Salem Museum, and in the history of this time, the truth remains buried.

San Francisco Bay Times

Canadian military now open to gays

Canada's military policy against employing or promoting homosexuals was struck down by the Federal Court of Canada which ruled that it violates the country's Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

Bay Area Reporter

Anti-gay message removed

Refused by the national office for cable TV, Northwest Cable Advertising in Seattle decided to accept Christian Action Network's homophobic political ad showing Bill Clinton reaching out to gays and lesbians. A derogatory voice-over claimed the Democrats supported "special rights" for homosexuals and asked "Is this the kind of America you want?" Angry gay and lesbian viewers called the station to protest and the ad was removed.

Anti-gay graffiti at Cornell

(21)

Cornell's president condemned the anti-gay graffiti found on the campus' walls and footpaths: "Members of the gay, lesbian, and bisexual community should feel as free of personal intimidation as any other member of the university community. Violence and the threat of violence ... have no place at Cornell."

Philadelphia Gay News

D.A. forbids HIV tests for prostitutes

In Pennsylvania, the Bucks County D.A. ordered police officers to stop routinely testing prostitutes for HIV because it violates state law. State law states that police can ask for someone to be HIV tested only if an officer has been exposed to a bodily fluid.

Another loss of rights: W. Va.

The City Council of Huntington, W. Va., removed the reference to the existing human rights ordinance. Members claimed it would have failed to protect business from frivolous law suits.

Philadelphia Gay News

Campus anti-gay

At the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, students and police claim violence, intimidation, and verbal harassment against gays and lesbians are on the rise. Some observers say the violence and threats have followed homosexual demands for equal rights, but Associate Dean of Students Robert Shaw said, "If there's been an attempt to silence or intimidate people, it sure has backfired. UCLA's Thea Xi andSigma Pi fraternities were banned from homecoming and other campus activities until hearings are held to determine if their songbooks are racist, sexist, and anti-gay. If found guilty, the outcome could be complete disassociation from the university.

Philadelphia Gay News

Stanford benefits to cover gay partners

Stanford University agreed to extend employee benefits to domestic partners of gay workers, but not to those of unmarried heterosexuals. The university defined domestic partners as "two individuals in an enduring relationship with exclusive mutual commitment and financial responsibilities analogous to those of marriage." The University of Iowa, Lotus Software, and Bay Area Rapid Transit district also have extended benefits. Between 40 and 60 workers will be involved in the benefits extension, which will cost $100,000 of a $24 million health care budget.

Sacramento Bee

Comment on military ban on gays sought

The *New York Times* reported that Gen. Colin L. Powell, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, has received about 300 letters over the past three weeks concerning the ban on lesbian, gay and bisexual people serving in the U.S. armed forces. The letters are 4:1 in favor of the ban. To let Gen. Powell know how you feel about the ban, write him at: Gen. Colin L. Powell, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, The Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-5000, vox: (703) 697-9121 or fax: (703) 697-8758.▼

"We're all gay, all day"

This is the slogan for the first gay satellite radio station in: "the heartland of homophobia, this is K-G-A-Y radio in Denver, Colorado." KGAY reaches over 7 million listeners in North America and has already been contacted by the Arsenio Hall and Maury Povich shows and *People* magazine. Clay Henderson, station manager, decided to locate in Denver when Amendment 2 passed. Henderson dramatizes the bigotry over the air and hopes to head off violence, but, as a precaution, KGAY's location will not be disclosed and panic buttons have been installed. Attempting to reach those who live in rural areas 24 hours a day — especially youth — KGAY can be reached at 1-800-733-KGAY. The station features "alternative music," takes requests, and gay related news. Contact your local cable company and request KGAY.

Seattle Gay News

Sheriff's deputy #3 comes out

L.A. County Deputy Sheriff Don Mueller presented a letter to Capt. Stuart Hansell, commander of one of the department's jail facilities, outlining his reasons for disclosing his sexual orientation. Given the often tenuous relationship between the gay community and law enforcement Mueller's initial concern about "possible repercussions" of coming out was not without merit. Mueller's announcement followed the Kolt *Commission's report of prejudice and fear among gay officers* which led Sheriff Sherman Block to send out a letter to all 1,200 sworn and non-sworn members of the department amending the "non discrimination policy statement" to include sexual orientation.

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Tom Brokaw

A favorite tactic of the religious right in opposing civil rights for both racial and sexual minorities has been to falsely characterize equal rights as "special" rights. Though you might think it the duty of the news media to expose this mischaracterization, sometimes they actually promote it. During a recent NBC news segment, anchor Tom Brokaw asked a guest if he felt that lifting the ban on gays and lesbians in the military would encourage other minorities to ask for a "special place" in the armed forces. Let Brokaw know that such comments spread ignorance, not information. Write to Tom Brokaw, NBC Nightly News, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York NY 10112.

Phil Donahue

Thanks to the efforts of talk show host Phil Donahue, viewers saw one of the few gay kisses ever seen on prime time. Donahue recently celebrated his 25th anniversary on television with a prime time salute containing highlights from his show over the years. The show included a clip of TV's first gay "wedding," a commitment ceremony between two men that included the traditional kiss.

NBC initially refused to allow the kiss to appear, but after negotiations with the network's Broadcast Standards and Practices, Donahue succeeded in keeping it in. We need to write and let Donahue and the people behind the scenes know that we are proud of their sustained commitment to telling the truth about our lives.

Write to Phil Donahue, The Phil Donahue Show, NBC, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York NY 10112.

A recent episode of the Phil Donahue show showed that Donahue remains one of the few journalists unafraid to confront homophobia head-on. The program featured four lesbian or gay service people, either expelled from the military for telling the truth or hiding in the closet, as well as retired Admiral Thomas Moorer, a homophobe who argued in support of the military ban (Moorer, who was frequently the target of laughter when he complained about homosexual "recruitment" and lesbians "slobbering" over each other, brought down the house when he attributed two world wars to the fact that Europeans allow lesbians and gays in the military).

Most of the audience, gay and straight, spoke out against discrimination, but when some young men spoke up to defend the ban (one caller argued that gay men had to be kept out of the military because service people needed to feel free to make fag jokes at the dinner table) Donahue challenged them persistently to examine their own insecurities and prejudices.

Wall Street Journal

The Wall Street Journal on November 16 expressed editorial opposition to the ban on lesbians and gays in the military. In a long editorial devoted to women in the military, one paragraph addressed the question of homophobic discrimination. Referring to President-elect Clinton's promise to overturn the homophobic ban, the Journal opined: "We don't get very excited about this issue; since the services include gays and always have, there are humanitarian reasons for overturning the ban. Given today's climate repeal might conceivably tend to protect gays from normal discipline, but we trust the services could avoid that."

Of course we find it deplorable that the Journal doesn't get "excited" about the ruined careers, disrupted lives and wasted money that result from this idiotic policy, and we have no idea what there is about today's homophobic climate that would lead the military to "protect gays from normal discipline." Regular readers of the Journal, though, point out that even stating opposition to the ban represents progress for the usually right-wing paper.

Praise their progress or damn their homophobia, as you see fit, but let them know that you're watching what they say. Write to Daniel Henninger, Editor, Editorial Page, The Wall Street Journal, 200 Liberty St., N.Y., NY 10281.

Bill Clinton

President-elect Clinton's reiteration of a promise to end the ban on lesbians and gays in the military has obviously brought unprecedented attention to the issue. Sadly, military personnel from the Joint Chiefs of Staff down to enlisted soldiers have taken to the airwaves to whine about the erosion of morale if they're forced to confront their prejudices. Polls have shown public support for overturning the ban to be declining. Please urge Clinton to stick to his principles on the issue and give the military the leadership it apparently needs to overcome bigotry.

Write to President-Elect Bill Clinton, box 615, Little Rock AK 72203, (505) 376-6774, FAX (501) 399-7096.

Oakland Tribune

The Oakland Tribune recently reprinted an article by Peter Honey of the Baltimore Sun entitled "Clinton's Commitments — from A to Z.: The lengthy article recaps campaign promises and positions stated by Bill Clinton under 47 alphabetized headings, from "Abortion" and "Agriculture," to "Youth" and "Yugoslavia." Incredibly, nowhere in the article does the word "gay," "lesbian," or even "homosexual," appear, not even under such obvious headings as "Arts," "Civil Rights," "Defense," "Families" or "Women." Send your comments to Peter Honey, c/o The Baltimore Evening Sun, 5501 N. Calvert St., Box 1377, Baltimore, MD 21278.

Mercury News: schools

Conservative commentator George Will (December 4 *San Jose Mercury News*) denounced school curriculum guidelines in New York which mandate the teaching of respect toward lesbians and gays. He argued that society should recruit young people into heterosexuality. According to Wwill, "Though we acknowledge some influences ... beyond their control, we do not accept the idea that people of bad character have no choice. Further, we are concerned to ... steer them in the direction of the good."

Why is it that heterosexuals seem to need to "steer" children toward their own sexual orientation, but only lesbians and gays ever get condemned for it?

Write to George Will c/o *The Washington Post*, 1150 15th St. NW, Washington DC 20071. Write: *San Jose Mercury News*, 750 Ridder Park Dr., San Jose, CA 95131, fax (408) 288-8060.

Project 21: vacancies

On January 15, 1993, the terms of two members of the California State Board of Education will expire. The soon-to-be vacant seats are currently occupied by two vacant minds — homophobic appointees of former governor Deukmejian. Call or write Gov. Pete Wilson and urge him to appoint qualified lesbian, gay or bisexual people to these positions. You might suggest names to the governor, and urge qualified acquaintances to send in their resumes.

Contact Pete Wilson, Governor of California, State Capitol, 95814, (916) 445-2841.

Oakland Tribune: a first

The "new" *Oakland Tribune* premiered with a new editor, Pearl Stewart is the first African American woman to head a major metropolitan newspaper in the country. You might take the opportunity to congratulate Stewart on this historic appointment and encourage her to continue the *Trib's* admirable record of being inclusive of lesbian, gay and bisexual issues. Write: Pearl Stewart, Editor, *Oakland Tribune*, 13th & Franklin, Oakland, CA 94623.

Business Week: Colorado

The boycott of the state of Colorado is gaining momentum as the national media focuses on the growing list of participating organizations and corporations. The December 7 issue of *Business Week* contained a good article "Bashing Gays — And Business" that told of cancelled conventions and vacations from the hate state. *Business Week's* readership is obviously one that needs to know that our community demands a strong and uncompromising reaction to the passage of Amendment 2, which guarantees the "right" of homophobes to discriminate against lesbians and gays.

Write: Readers Report, *Business Week*, 1221 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10020, fax (212) 512-4464. To be considered for publication, letters must include your address and day and evening phone numbers.

Student poll: respond

The November issue of *U.*, a nationally distributed monthly magazine for college and university students, contains a telephone poll on the question "What issue most affected college campuses this year?" The graphic alongside the question suggests a variety of responses including racism, AIDS, and gays and lesbians. If you are a student, you may respond to the poll (and influence the magazine's perspective on the issues it should be addressing) by calling 1-800-688-4397. Write: *U.*, 1800 Century Park East, #820, Los Angeles, CA 90067, fax (310) 551-1651.

Forbes

One of the more bizarre and misinformative defenses of discrimination in the military appeared as an "Observations" column in the December 21 issue of *Forbes Magazine*. The piece was written by Thomas Sowell of Stanford's Hoover Institution, a pseudo-intellectual foundation for promoting various far-right agendas.

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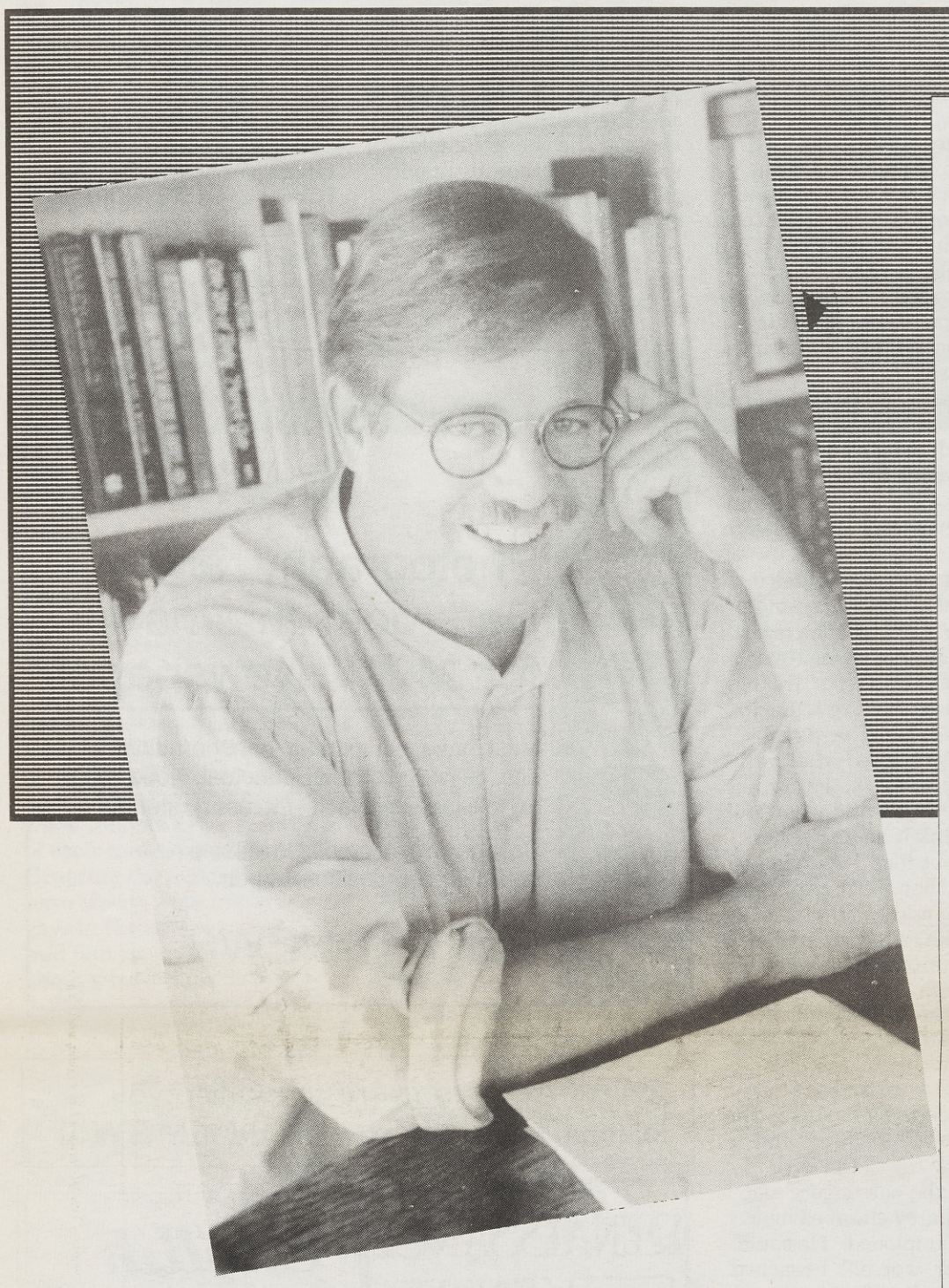

by Dell Richards
MGW staff

San Francisco — With a book coming out that seems to have little in common with the tres gay "City" series, Armistead Maupin still has managed to tackle a subject near and dear to his heart: Hypocrisy in Hollywood.

Maupin, 48, still lives in San Francisco though he recently bought a 200-acre sheep farm in New Zealand. But in his ninth book, *Maybe the Moon,* he makes full use of his time in Tinseltown. From the days when he "hung out" with one of the world's best known closet cases, actor and heterosexual-hearthrob Rock Hudson, to years of wondering if his optioned books would make it to the silver screen, Maupin has seen Hollywood from the inside out.

The hypocrisy that angered him then — gay actors who wouldn't come out — bothers him even more now that so many have died of AIDS and his lover, Terry Anderson, has a full-blown case.

"I am impatient with the notion that you have to continue perpetuating the lie," said Maupin. "Perpetuating the lie is central to our oppression. We're cooperating in a system which keeps us invisible.

"You can refuse to cooperate in the lies of others by telling the truth. You are not obligated to perpetuate the shame of another person."

Since the mid-1980's, Maupin has advocated the use of outing as a valid political tool and has outed quite a few people, including actor Tom Selleck. Ironically, Maupin admits he doesn't know Selleck and was only repeating oft-repeated Hollywood rumors.

"Like a lot of people in the gay community, I had always heard he was gay but I don't have any proof to that effect," said Maupin. "And I don't feel it is libelous to say that. I assumed him to be a hypocrite at the time and I assume him t be a hypocrite now."

Perhaps because he was instrumental in talking such mega-stars as Sir Ian McKellen into coming out, he hasn't been hit by as much flack for outing celebrities as people such as journalist Michelango Signorile have.

"I have got plenty of flack for it but I do seem to be the 'Teflon Outer,'" joked Maupin. "Maybe it's because I always do it with a smile."

In the mid-1980's, Maupin predicted that the next issue for the gay community would not be "gays versus homophobes" but out-of-the-closet gays versus closeted gays.

Although Maupin didn't come to terms with his own homosexuality until the ripe old age of 26, he did come out almost immediately afterwards. As such, he stands behind the younger, more political generastion, the "gay-and-proud-and-in-your-face" crowd.

"I love the new generation of queers," said Maupin. "I was saying all this stuff on my own for too many years and feeling really out in the cold. So it's a thrill to discover there are young people coming along who feel the same as I did."

While the new book's main character is a heterosexual, the plot also revolves around the lover of a gay actor

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THIS MAY BE THE BEST!

by Elisabeth Pyle
MGW STAFF

***Maybe the Moon* Armistead Maupin, Harper Collins, 1992, 305 pages, $22.00 hardback**

Excellent! Excellent! Excellent! Maupin never ceases to impress.

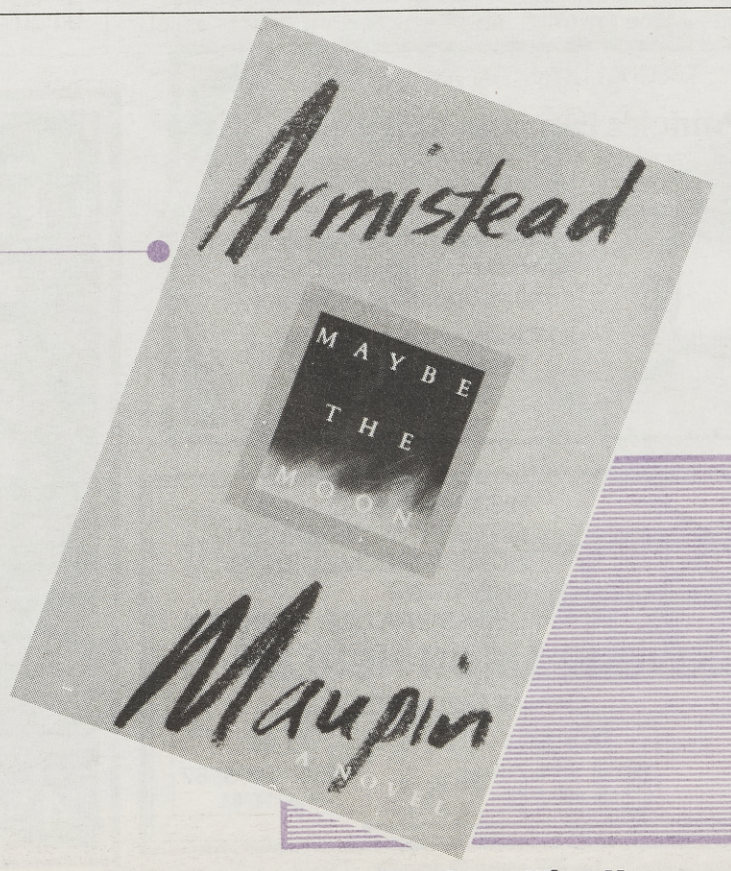
This tale of a would-be/has-been/wants-to-come-back film star is pathetic, empathic and sympathetic to the world of midgets and those who starred but names never appeared in the credits.

Cadence Roth is the person in a latex suit in a movie reminiscent of *E.T.* whose naming would have dispelled the magic of the mythical mysterious Mr. Wood. While proud of her stature of Guiness' Book of Records for the world's shortest woman, Cadence strives to be the singer-actress that she knows she truly is. Her friends, Jeff, the gay screen writer; Renee, the fabric salesperson and adoring roommate and her lover, Neil who is also her employer in the PortaParty kid's birthday, bar mitzvah travelling show support and help her in her quest to achieve the fame and notoriety she craves.

Maupin creates and furnishes the world that is peopled with the true stars of *Wizard of Oz* and *The Terror of Tiny Town*. He parallels their existence with that of all of us who exist in latex suits with assumed names.

This is far richer a book than any of the *Tales of the City*. Cadence Roth is not lovable or charming. She is hard and driven and cares for little beside her dream. This novel is a piece of fabric that weaves her tale and that of all of us who have hidden and yearn to seize the spotlight.

A Christmas gift must for Maupin lovers, movie lovers and their friends.▼



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Chapter Five

This is the story of Adam ...

Previously: Adam's strong feeling begin to consume him. Sitting outside late in the night he was met by Larry.

At the instant I was interrupted kissing Larry the world around me disintegrated and I woke from my dream. I saw Larry in front of me, the side of his face glazed with drool, his hair stuck up in knots behind his head, and his eyes were swollen and bloodshot from sleep.

"What the hell are you doing out here?" he inquired, his voice cracking from the smoker's phlegm in his throat. He hacked and I could hear it being vaulted from his lung into his mouth, he then spat the yellow wad into the dirt near me. "Are you crazy?"

Even then I did not see it. He was no prince in a daisy white shirt. I had created the Larry I loved. Even with the messy little man blatantly displayed before me it did not change the fact that I loved him.

I explained that I had gone for an early morning walk, and that I wasn't asleep, that I was merely closing my eyes to savor the fresh air. He informed me that it was 7:30 and that he had to get going soon. After we parted I heard no more from him for the rest of the weekend.

I fretted over his not contacting me. It was reality that all I was was some sort of "buddy" and nothing more. The longing for more grew greater with every day. For the first time I began writing about my homosexual feelings, and how I was driven to be with Larry. As I placed the last period at the end of the revelation I turned back to the beginning. — "If anyone ever reads this I will kill myself." I inscribed.

At the time I thought it an adequate precaution. Looking over that diary, I now realize that subconsciously I had written for someone else to read. I was rational and explanatory and told everything that I could probably not have said to a person. It was a plea for understanding, and grasp at hope.

The following Monday was the same ritual. I waited out front of the school for him to ride up, and then took another entrance and "Just happened to run into" him. We made small talk and described our weekends. We split a sweet roll and some milk in the cafeteria.

That afternoon Larry invited me to go to his friends house to eat pizza and watch movies for Halloween. I pretended to think about it and eventually agreed.

I approached the rest of the week with more confidence knowing that we were now friends mutually. I would seek him out on campus to say hello and we spent time after school together.

It was more than I had ever hoped to achieve. He called me on his own and really thought of me as his friend. I congratulated myself on my triumph and thought that perhaps in time we would have more. A voice in my head mocked me. It told me how insane I was to think that there was any chance for Larry and me.

I took what it said for what *it was worth and went on hoping. Halloween night had finally arrived.* I sat anxiously awaiting Larry's call to have me come and pick him up. I went outside to see that a big storm was brewing. It was an ominous storm that almost seemed to serve as a warning. I felt a chill run through me as I stood there silent. Something inside me felt like tonight would change things. I chose to believe that perhaps Larry and I would become even closer.

Finally the phone rang and it was Larry. It was time for me to go and pick him up. At his house I met his father for the first time. The man looked like a Hell's Angel. I was afraid of him from day one, and I was certain he was suspicious of me. It must have seemed strange to him that an older guy wanted to be friends with his son, and he asked me many questions. I kept my composure and looked him in the eye. I attempted to appear as masculine as possible.

In their bathroom I took a hard look at myself to see what Larry's father might see. I was pretty masculine. I hoped to God he wasn't suspicious of my true intentions with his son.

I was relieved when we finally left his house. On the way over Larry offered me a drag from his cigarette. I took it coughing and hacking. I was yet to achieve the status of "real" smoker. I knew it was a terrible habit, but hoped it would make him respect me a little mere.

At Chris' house we all got together and talked for a while. Chris ordered a couple pizzas an we started to watch a horror film. I knew I wasn't completely there and attempted to hide it.

After twenty minutes it was decided that Larry and I would go out to get the pizza. I found it hard to concentrate on my driving. I was in a dream world. I was looking at Larry and wondering all sorts of things. I wondered what he thought of me, whether or not he was a virgin, and what he might think if he knew the truth about me. I was yanked from my thoughts by a screeching sound and I realized that a white Trans Am had just entered the intersection I was going through.

I hit the brakes, but my car still rammed into the side of the other vehicle. I was thrown forward and my face hit the steering wheel. I gathered my wits about me and steered the car to the curb. I looked at the passengers seat and saw Larry slumped over. My heart imploded. He could be hurt, or worse!!! I reached over him to see if he was okay...

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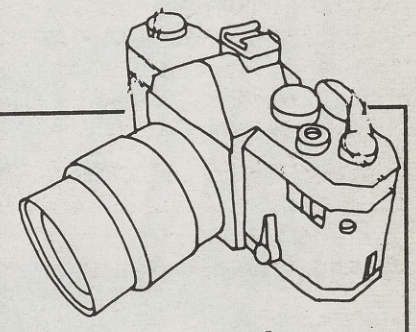

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1992 tax year in review

by Catherine Whitney, E.A.
MGW Staff

For the first time in history, the Internal Revenue Service is headed by a woman. Shirley Peterson was confirmed on January 30, 1992 by the Senate Finance Committee, as president Bush's choice to assume the top tax administrator position. During the year, the new commissioner has continued on the same course as the previous administrator, Fred Goldberg. The emphasis has been on education and encouragement to comply, rather than the old heavy-handed methods of enforcement. Peterson is not likely to hold the position long, as President Clinton will probably appoint a new commissioner when he enters office in January.

The Congress worked long and hard on a tax bill this year that offered help to taxpayers in many areas. It continued provisions for enterprise zones for much needed help in the inner cities. It would have encouraged economic growth by offering incentives to invest by making the IRA rules more liberal, by offering a first time home buyer tax credit, and by revising rules on passive activity on real estate. It also included extension of some tax provisions that are due to expire during this year. The deduction for health insurance for self-employed people expired this year in June, along with employer provided education and group legal services. The Congress is required by law to keep all tax legislation revenue neutral. This means if they change the law to give credits or incentives to stimulate the economy, and in the process lower taxes, they must increase taxes in another area to offset the loss of revenue. In this particular tax bill, they planned to continue the itemized deduction limitation and the phase out of the standard deduction for higher income taxpayers. This, according to President Bush, was raising taxes, so on the day after the election, he vetoed the Revenue Bill of 1992, even though it contained many of the provisions he had asked for.

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MEDIA WATCH

Media Watch

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Sowell used the first half of his column to argue against a non-existent proposal — that same-sex intercourse be allowed in military barracks. "Any form of sexual activity between military personnel is fraught with explosive dangers," Sowell declared. "What does it do to [a] unit's cohesion when soldiers know that some of their comrades are lovers?" Granting the point that there have always been lesbians and gays in the military, Sowell said "but no one is concerned about what people do privately."

Sowell echoed the tired and homophobic question of so-called special privilege. "...any adverse decision regarding an individual who happens to be homosexual will be a potential lawsuit?"

Additionally, Sowell seems to be fascinated by institutional toilets when he wrote several paragraphs on college bathrooms "becoming sites for clandestine sex and trysts," and where military personnel will be "witness to a target of homosexual activity."

Of course *Forbes* has an unimpeachable right to promote falsehoods and prejudice in their opinion columns, but don't you think they should publish a serious discussion of the issue — for balance if for no other reason? Write to James W. Michaels, editor, *Forbes*, 60 Fifth Ave., New York, NY 10011.

S.F. Chronicle

On December 7 the *San Francisco Chronicle* replaced the vacationing Arthur Hoppe's column with a piece of syndicated homophobia by Rowland Evans and Robert Novak.

The column, entitled "Fear of Homophobia," discussed Bill Clinton's "unqualified endorsement of the gay agenda" as a political "opportunity Clinton had handed" to Republican strategists, who so "dreaded the stigma of homophobia" that they didn't exploit the issue.

Citing Bush campaign manager Mary Matalin's analysis of the Bush loss in which she said that "we were spending our entire time denying that the Republican Party was a bunch of homophobic bigots," Evans & Novak lamented "that implied apology suggests that criticism of the gay agenda is beyond civilized political dialogue."

We have no idea what the "gay agenda" is, but we believe that advocacy of hatred and prejudice is beyond civilized political dialogue.

If Evans & Novak's syndicator can distribute this kind of defense of homophobia, why can't they distribute a few lesbian and gay authored columns? Write to Creators Syndicate, 5777 W. Century Blvd., L.A., CA 90045.

Time

The December 14 issue of *Time* contained two articles, one on school Curriculum guidelines requiring the teaching of tolerance toward lesbian and gay people, the other addressing Hollywood homophobia in failing to embrace the boycott of Colorado.

The article on school curricula (titled "Jack and Jack and Jill and Jill") cited homophobic reactions of some parents, but quoted six different experts from lesbian/gay and education organizations around the country on the importance of combatting intolerance. Problems like teen suicide, bashing and harassment, and feelings of exclusion suffered by lesbian/gay students were brought to the forefront of the discussion.

The Colorado article began with the presumption that discrimination is a bad thing, and chided Hollywood's reluctance to forgo their Aspen vacation homes in order to fight Amendment 2. Citing an order of Catholic Nuns which is considering its 1993 meeting out of Colorado, the writer, Richard Corliss, asked "Could it be that, in support of civil rights of Gay Americans, Tinseltown's liberals lack the Sisters' guts?"

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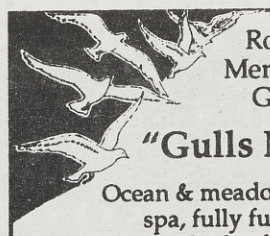
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San Francisco Opera ...

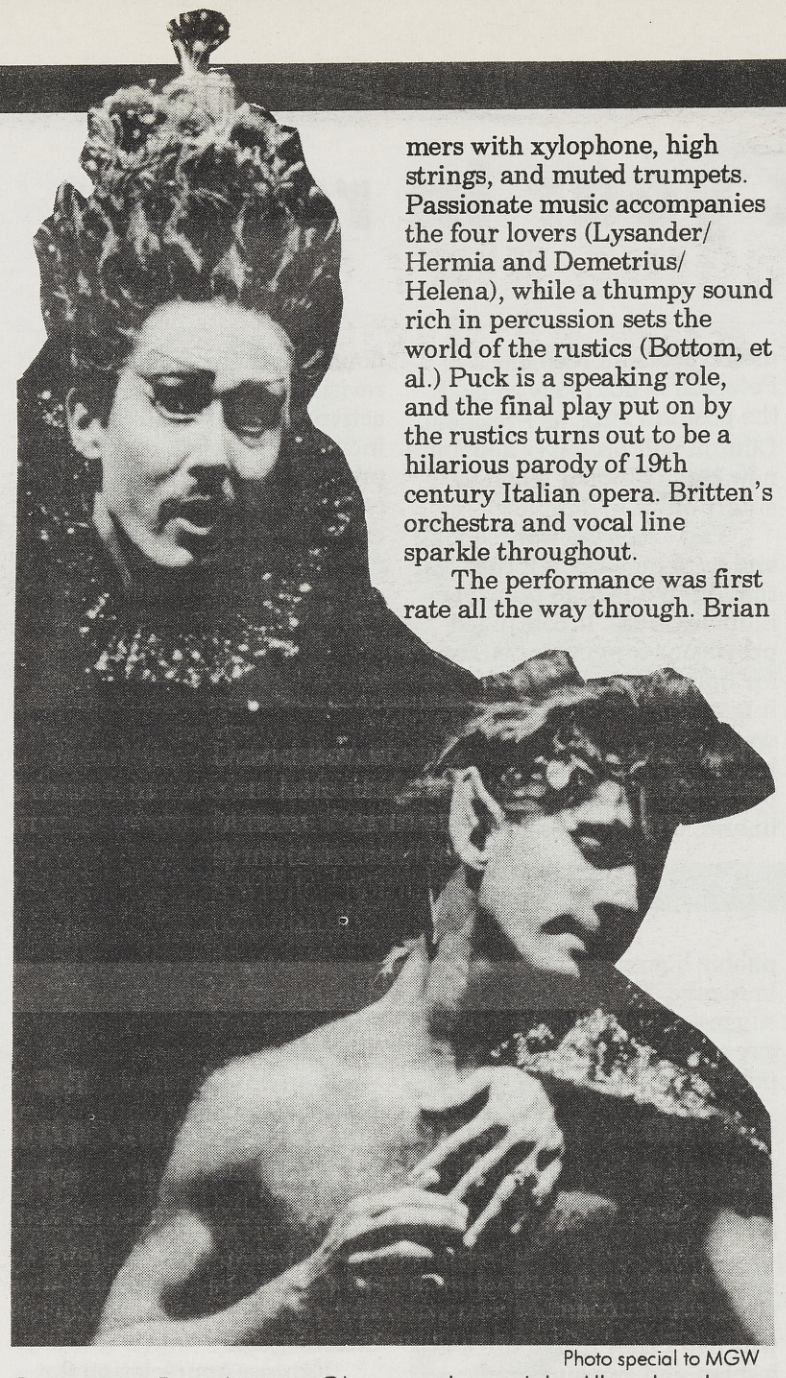
Columbus, Shakespeare, & the French Revolution

by Wayne R. Anderson
MGW Staff

As its nod to the Columbian cinquecentennial, the SFO put on two semistaged performances of Darius Milhaud's *Christophe Colomb*. The largely choral work, more oratorio than opera, consists of two parts. The first outlines Columbus' journey and his attempts to finance it, ending with the discovery of land. The second part focuses on the effects of the adventure on Columbus: his resulting indebtedness and his tormented conscience as he sees the barbarous treatment of the indigenous people and the reintroduction of slavery into the world. The text is sung in French with an English narrator (Derek Jacobi in somewhat hoarse voice) to connect and explain the action.

The main interest in this piece is its dark treatment of the effects of Columbus' discovery, especially the brutal annihilation of the native cultures. This is strong stuff, especially considering that the opera was written in 1920s. Musically it was a boring evening. Most of the piece consists of soloists declaiming the text against a lush fabric of chorus and orchestra. This soon grew monotonous. The libretto has grandiose pretensions, such as seeing Columbus' discovery as a continuation of the process of the creation of the earth, which makes the work self-importantly ponderous. The performance was fine and Kent Nagano conducted as though he believed in the work. I was thankful it was only 90 minutes long.

One of the top productions this fall was a revival of Benjamin Britten's enchanting 1960 opera *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Britten and his lover (and lead tenor) Peter Pears used Shakespeare's original lines but cut out about half of them. Each of the three levels of characters is given a distinct musical personality. The music of the fairies (Oberon and Tytania) shimmers with xylophone, high strings, and muted trumpets. Passionate music accompanies the four lovers (Lysander/ Hermia and Demetrius/ Helena), while a thumpy sound rich in percussion sets the world of the rustics (Bottom, et al.) Puck is a speaking role, and the final play put on by the rustics turns out to be a hilarious parody of 19th century Italian opera. Britten's orchestra and vocal line sparkle throughout.



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Countertenor Brian Asawa is Oberon and actor John Allee plays the non-singing role of Puck in Britten's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

The performance was first rate all the way through. Brian Asawa, as Oberon, made the countertenor a joy to hear rather than the ordeal it often is, and Sylvia McNair's ethereal tones fit Tytania's music perfectly. As the lovers, Kurt Streit, Catherine Keen, David Mailis, and Susan Patterson sang gorgeously and acted with naturalness and humor. The rustics were funny without slapstick, especially Donald Adams as Bottom. John Allee was an energetic athletic Puck, and his sexy physique was tantalizingly displayed in very skimp briefs. John Mauceri's conducting allowed Brittan's melodies to shine forth yet kept the action fast-paced. The costumes were gorgeous, and the dreamlike forest glistened, changing magically with the lighting. This fine opera was last seen here in 1961; we should not have to wait another 31 years for the next production.

It makes little sense to put on a tenor's opera without an adequate tenor, yet Giordano's *Andrea Chenier* was served up anyway. This work, set in the French revolution, is much better than it is often credited for being. Its characters are multidimensional and highly believable, and the music is simply thrilling. Given singers with powerful ringing voices, it cannot fail. But it only limped along in San Francisco, due largely to the substandard Chenier of Bruno Beccaria. His throaty strangulated tenor is basically unpleasant with a wide beat under pressure. If you like yelling you might enjoy his loud sounds. On top of this, he sang *everything* with his arms stretched wide open. This was particularly ludicrous as he read his last-act poem, looking severely far-sighted. Chenier is a poet, but you'd never know it from this dismal performance. Surely the SFO could have found someone better!

In her SFO debut as the poet's love Maddalena, Aprile Millo sang with a rich and powerful soprano, highly evocative of Renata Tebaldi. In the first two acts her singing seemed uninvolved and restrained, but in the dramatic trial scene she let go and delivered a passionate "La mamma morta" (unfortunately taking the prima donna high ending rather than the written low note). Her acting was quite convincing.

The best performance came from baritone Robert McFarland as Carlo Gerard, the servant who embraced but was later corrupted by the revolution. He brought out Gerard's complexities and sang with a rich ringing sound most of the time.

Dennis Peterson sang a very musical *L'Increcible* but acted like a caricature of a spy. Nello Santi's disappointing conducting too often failed to achieve tension and sweep. The lavish sets and costumes would be a credit to any company.▼

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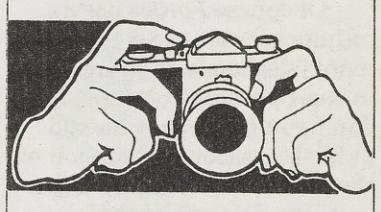

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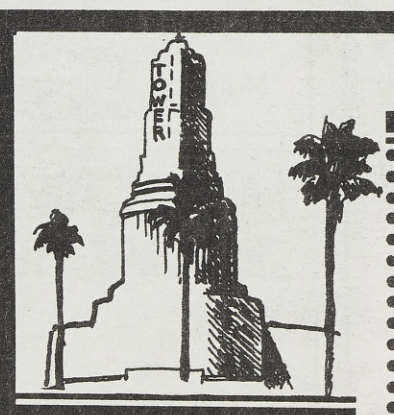

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Angels in America

An outstanding play about life in the age of AIDS

by Danny Gray
MGW staff

In 1988 playwright Tony Kushner was commissioned by San Francisco's Eureka Theater to write a two-hour play about five gay men in the age of AIDS, one of whom was to be Mormon, and another was to be the historical figure Roy Cohn. By the end of 1992, *Angels in America: A Gay Fantasia on National Themes* had grown into a seven-hour, two-part epic of death and life in an era of shifting ideological landscapes and spiritual and moral crisis. *Angels* has accrued international attention through its partial productions and readings in San Francisco, London, and Los Angeles. Now, in the wake of its wildly successful first full production this winter at the Mark Taper Forum in Los Angeles, it is on its way to New York, where — appropriately — it will open on Broadway on the evening of the Gay March on Washington, April 25, 1993.

Angels is performed in two installments, the first of which is titled *Millennium Approaches* and can be seen as a complete production by itself. But it is difficult to imagine anyone living in our time being able to walk away after *Millennium* without seeing its sequel, *Perestroika*. From its first beat to the final lights-down seven hours and five intermissions later, Tony Kushner's hand never slips from direct contact with our national pulse. Audiences are left breathless as his eight main characters struggle painfully, but often hilariously, for life and meaning in the late 1980s.

The action centers on two couples in New York City and their intersecting relationships. Prior Walter (played by Stephen Spinella in the Los Angeles production) is a young man whose lover, a bookish Jew named Louis Ironson (Joe Mantello), leaves him when he comes down with AIDS. Louis proceeds to have a tumultuous affair with a closeted Mormon lawyer, Joe Pitt (Jeffrey King), who in turn has all but abandoned his pathetic but oddly visionary wife, Harper (Cynthia Mace). Harper spends the play searching for the strength to leave her husband, and in the meantime survives by taking valium and living within a spectacularly active imagination.

At the center of this story, both narratively and symbolically, is celebrity lawyer and Republican political strongman, Roy Cohn (Ron Leibman). Cohn is pulled out of history and used by Kushner to represent — in Cohn's own words — the "heart of modern conservatism." He is shown in his last desperate years, fighting to maintain his power by making Joe Pitt his prodigy and trying to install him in the U.S. state department. He is both flamboyantly gay and virulently homophobic. When his doctor diagnosis his condition as AIDS, Cohn imagines he is being accused of being homosexual and responds with this fatally twisted logic: "Homosexuals are men who in 15 years of trying cannot get a pissant anti-discrimination bill through City Council. Homosexuals are men who nobody knows. Does this sound like me, Henry?"

Cohn's fate symbolizes the poverty of the brand of conservatism he stood for. He dies of AIDS in 1986, still denying his own homosexuality, still hoarding illegally acquired AZT, and now being visited by the ghost of Ethel Rosenberg, whom he was instrumental in having executed back in 1953, and who personally informs him on his deathbed that the state of New York has disbarred him.

Kushner balances the harrowing with the humorous. Entire scenes are given a tilt toward the absurd, such as one in which Harper and prior meet in mutually overlapping hallucinations. "What are you doing in my dream?" demands prior from his sickbed. "What are you doing in my hallucination?!" counters Harper. In this scene, and when they meet again in Heaven (merely as visitors — neither character has died) Harper's Salt Lake City naivete collides comically with Prior's jaded gay sensibility.

At two points in *Angels* Harper delivers deeply moving mediations that echo national anxieties about environmental apocalypse. For example, having heard on the radio of a hole in the ozone layer, she travels to Antarctica in her imagination in order to explore it herself. These scenes employ comic absurdity to gain access to some of our darkest national fears.

In *Perestroika*, the themes of crisis and collapse expand to include the heavens. Prior is forced into the role of Prophet by an over-sex Angel (Ellen McLaughlin) who is looking to him for guidance in running a universe in the absence of god. God, it seems, vanished during the 1906 San Francisco earthquake, leaving all of Creation in the lurch. When Prior returns to heaven to consult with the angels, he resigns his position as Prophet and leaves them with the suggestion that if God ever does come back, "you should sue Him!" for abandoning His creation.

Through dramatic and comic allegory, *Angels* tells the larger story of the collapse of the Reagan/Bush vision of the world under the weight of its own moral poverty. Out of the rubble, however, staggers survival and renewal. For its epilogue, *Angels* jumps four years to 1990, where prior is now a long-time AIDS survivor. He addresses the audience directly, offering us life and hope in this time of devastation. "The world only spins forward," he says, and blesses us.

Angels in America taps directly into the hopes and fears of a nation in crisis. The optimistic words of the epilogue have been given force by the campaign and victory of Bill Clinton in November. That this play is poised and ready to be a success on Broadway this year is further evidence that we are surviving and growing stronger even in a time of terrible trial. *Angels in America* chronicles the death and despair borne of the 80s, but leaves us with a powerful message of hope for survival and change in the 90s.▼

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Stephen Spinella and Joe Mantello in *Millennium Approaches*, Part One of Tony Kushner's two-part play *Angels in America* (subtitled *A Gay Fantasia on National Themes*).

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In pursuit of a healthy you

by Darcy Plymire
MGW Staff

In an effort to fulfill my obligations to New Years resolutions I failed to introduce myself in the last issue. I am a graduate of U.C. Davis with an MA in physical education and a specialty in sport and exercise psychology. I have a background in coaching and competing in track and field, road running, and triathlon. My primary interests are in adult fitness, wellness, motivation, and goal setting.

The primary purpose of this column will be to explore issues of health, wellness, and fitness especially as they pertain to the lesbian and gay community. Health, wellness, and fitness are not synonymous, but they are related and interact in many significant ways.

Health is defined as the absence of physical or psychological illness. Wellness implies health, but includes a sense or feeling of well-being. Fitness is a state of physical preparedness for a given task or stressor. A person can be healthy without being fit or well. Likewise a fit person may be neither healthy nor well. Given a choice, most people would choose wellness. Though wellness, paradoxically, does not require either health or fitness, a fit and healthy person is more likely to be well.

Confused? That is understandable. The topic is quite complex. The pursuit of that elusive triad has spurred a multi-million dollar fitness industry. Whether the effects of that pursuit have indeed been healthy will be one of the important issues discussed in this column. And, this column will explore ways that people can pursue health, wellness, and fitness within a context of harmony, rationality, and balance.

I will draw on my own personal experience when applicable and on my background in coaching and education where appropriate. It is my intent to provide as much unbiased information as possible, but like anyone, I have a set of values and beliefs, an outlook that is mine alone, and it is impossible to be completely objective because of that. To facilitate a broader view, I invite your comments and questions.▼

Maupin

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starring in a homophobic film reminiscent of "Basic Instinct" with much the same controversy erupting over its contents.

Writing the book about a "little person," based on the actress who wore a rubber suit and starred in "E.T. — the Extra-terrestrial" gave Maupin the way to do a fresh take on Hollywood's well-worn story. And it gave him a way to subtlely slip in a gay slant.

"Her experience of 'outsiderdom' held many parallels with the outsideness of gay people," said Maupin. "Many people have a very difficult time not giggling when the subject of little people comes up. Being taken seriously is the toughest job of all."

Little people not only share much of the same invisibility as gays but in reality, are less visible. When asked how he met Tamara De Treaux, Maupin admits he "stepped on her."

"I was at a cocktail party on a Bay cruise with Dave Kopay (the 49er who came out) when I backed up, heard someone yelp and say 'Watch it, Buster.' I looked down, there was this condensed version of Bette Midler with a shock of hennaed hair and a 31-inch high body."

Maupin said that he was utterly captivated by Tamara's presence, her sharp wit and her direct confrontational way of dealing with people.

"She learned to take curiosity and turn it into celebrity to intantly put people at ease," said Maupin.

Maupin said her response was similar to the way gays turn themselves into characters to make other people comfortable and to show less tolerant people how to deal with them.

Although he doesn't expect his satire on Hollywood to ever be made into a movie, *Tales of the City* has been picked up for a mini-series by British television after years of flirting with Hollywood movie moguls about the series. Already, the production has a star-studded line-up. Working Title Films, of "My Beautiful Laundrette" fame, are producing with an adaptation by "thirtysomething" producer Richard Kramer. Filming starts in spring.

"With six hours based on the first book, it follows the story quite faithfully," said Maupin. He doesn't know who the director will be but said, only half jokingly, he would love to see Gena Rowlands as Anna Madrigal.

"I could just see her in that part," said Maupin. And who knows. With a world tour on tap, a million books sold and his ability to charm celebrities, maybe he will. Filed from Sacramento, Calif.

Dell Richards is a syndicated journalist whose book, ***Lesbian Lists*** *is available nationwide.* ▼

Artshow: The American Bike

The American Bicycle and *Cycling Museum is* presenting a special art exhibition entitled 'Bout Bicycles,' at the Institute for Design and Experimental Art (IDEA), 3414 4th Avenue, Sacramento, January 9-30.

The exhibit, guest curated by Michael Himovitz, will fill three rooms at the IDEA Gallery and features more than 70 artists including: Roy De Forest, Tom Ritchey, David Gilhooly, Keith Bontrager, Tony Novelozo, Robert Egger, Sherwood Gibson, Scott McKinley, Tony Natsoulas, Steve Rex, Otis Guy, Anne Gregory, Jacquie Phelan, Joe Breeze and Jeff Linday. The gala opening reception is Saturday, January 9, 5:30pm and is free to the public. Regular gallery hours: Weds., Sat. 12-5pm.

The purpose of this unusual exhibit is to stretch the imagination and our perception of the bicycle and its place in our society. For the first time, the bicycle community and the art community will be brought together in this exhibition of handmade components, handmade frames, and bicycle related art.

Other activities taking place in conjunction with the art exhibit at IDEA include:

- A reading of bicycle related fiction by Maynard Hershon, Saturday, Jan. 16th at 7pm.
- A special viewing of "Return of the Scorcher" with Director/Producer Ted White, Sat., Jan. 23rd at 7pm.
- And, a reading of bicycle related fiction by Jacquie Phelan and Charlie Kelly, Saturday, Jan. 30th at 7pm.▼

Music retreat scheduled

The fourth Northern California "Women Making Music Retreat" will be held Friday, April 2, through Monday, April 5, at Bishop's Ranch near Healdsburg. This retreat is directed by performer/teacher Judy Fjell, and is designed to offer a supportive and educational atmosphere for women all musical abilities.

Workshops at the weekend retreat include singing (beginning vocal, barbershop, rounds, sol-fa, chanting), instruments (beginning guitar, mandolin, violin, harmonica, songwriting, intermediate guitar) and dancing. The classes are taught by the professional staff as well as volunteers attending the retreat.

Cost for the weekend is $150-$250, and includes all classes, accommodations, and meals. Information: Sue Dolf and Lynne Pethtel, 160 Church St., Ashland, OR 97520, (503) 482-9122 or call Judy Fjell at (707) 944-2420.▼

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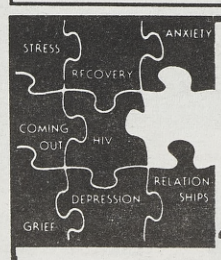

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Cold weather and special treatment for Fido

By Joan B. Guertin
MGW Staff

With all of the recent rain, muddy pawprints in the house means lots of extra work for the dog owner, it may be the major reason that you decide to leave Rover outside. Unfortunately, the average house dog is not acclimated to outdoor living and needs to be sheltered. Following are some helpful tips that may make the cold and rainy season easier on all of you.

First of all, I make sure that my dogs have warm housing in their yard. My dog runs are covered and each contains an igloo. I have appropriate sizes for the individual dogs so that once inside, the dog's own body heat will help keep them warm. Bedding during the winter is straw which allows them to burrow down and nest. It is an inexpensive bedding and easily changed which I do several times a week. In addition, the dogs won't be able to drag it around like they do blankets.

With cold weather you will want to go back to twice a day feedings. the dogs need the extra fuel they get from their feed as they will burn off more calories just trying to stay warm. For my pudgy four-legged friend I just halve the normal feeding into two. For my growing, active young dogs I feed extra so that they retain their normal weight.

Bringing the dogs into the house when it rains can be simplified by spreading a sheet by the entrance they use. My dogs know that the command, "feet" means that they stop on the sheet while I towel dry feet and underbellies (my pups are low riders and always have damp, dirty bellies). It is certainly easier to wash dirty towels and sheets than it is to wipe up dirty paw prints. After I've cleaned the feet, if they are still a bit damp I let them dry out the rest of the way in their crates. They still get to be in the house where it is warm, but the house stays relatively clean. If you don't have a dog crate, spread a large towel or a blanket and put the dog (assuming that it's obedience trained) on a down stay until the drying-out process is completed.

While drying out the feet, take a look at the dog's nails. It is amazing to me that we spend so much time feeding and playing with our dogs and then neglect their nails. I get dogs into The Dog wash all of the time whose nails are so long that they curl; or the dew claws (side nail) is curled back and growing in on itself. to some people, sounds of a dogs nails on the floor is comforting ... that click, click, click to me is like fingernails being scraped down a blackboard. the nails should <u>not</u> hit the ground. When it does, the nails are too long and need to be cut back. They should be trimmed back at least twice a month. My show dogs get them done every week. Short nails allow the foot to stay tight and well-rounded. Long nails cause the foot to spread and the dog ends up walking on his pasterns, keeping him off balance and often becoming painful, as they are not walking upon their pads.

Dogs with longer hair that cover the nails will often have curved nails that are literally crippling the dog because we can't see what is happening. I have seen dogs come into the shop that are groomed elsewhere on a regular basis, yet the nails are in horrible shape. If you use a groomer, make sure to stipulate that you want the dogs nails trimmed and then check to make sure that it was done when picking the dog up.

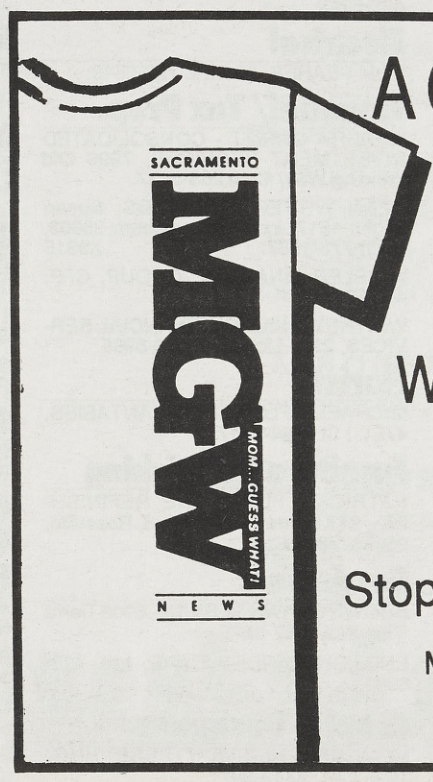
Many dogs really don't like to have their nails trimmed so it takes a great deal of patience. My Welsh Corgis hate the clippers, so I use a nailgrinder, (a dremle tool) and sand them down. It takes a bit longer, but it leaves a nice clean finish and the dogs are much happier. If your dog's nails are extremely long, it will take regular weekly trimming to get them back in shape. Each trimming just take off the tip end which allows the quick or blood vessel to retract so that you don't cut into it. If you are nervous about clipping nails yourself, run the dog by the groomer, they will be happy to do it for you for a nominal fee.

Upcoming events

The **Sacramento Council of Dog Clubs Annual Money Match** (a practice show with cash prizes) is scheduled for Saturday, January 16 at the Dixon-May Fairgrounds in Dixon. Admission is free for spectators. To enter contact Diane Heldebrant at 485-5950. It is a great place to see lots of breeds in one small area. The Show includes both conformation and obedience.

The Council also sponsors a **day-long Educational Seminar** on Sunday, January 31 at the Holiday Inn North (I-80 and Madison) from 9-5. Featured speakers are Dr. Jean Dodds, noted authority on Auto-Immune and Blood Diseases, Jeri Ryan an animal communications specialist and Dr. Alvin Grossman, well-respected breeder/judge who will share his insights into the show ring. In addition, Joan Gibson Reid will present an update on the Legislation concerning dogs and the results of the recent City/County Task Force on Pet Overpopulation. Cost for the day, including a buffet lunch, is $40. For information call me at 485-2201.

Bay Area Canine Rescue will present **An Evening with Roger Caras** on Thursday, February 18, 7:30pm. Caras is the author of 55 books on dogs, cats, and wildlife. He's a conservationist, special correspondent for ABC News and *20/20,* narrator for the Westminster Kennel Club Show and President of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. He will appear at the Sheraton Hotel (SF Airport). Cost is only $10 and proceeds go to BACR Education Projects. Information available by calling (408) 377-6851 or (415) 591-9918.▼



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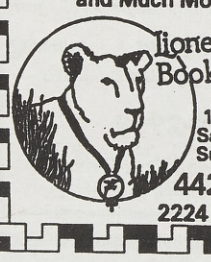

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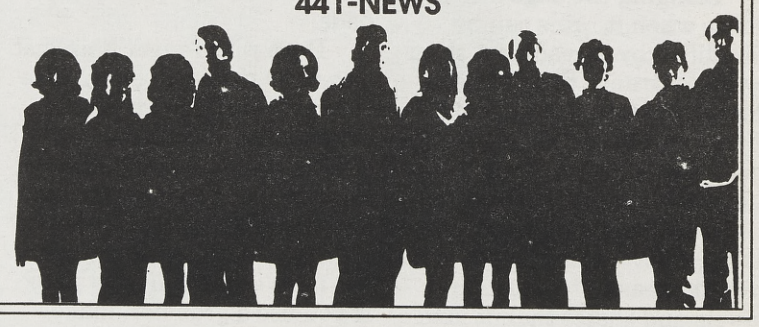

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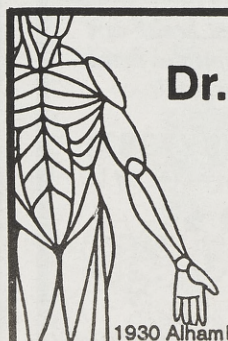

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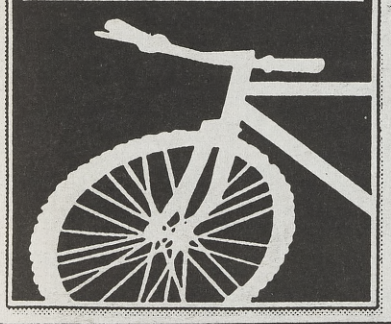

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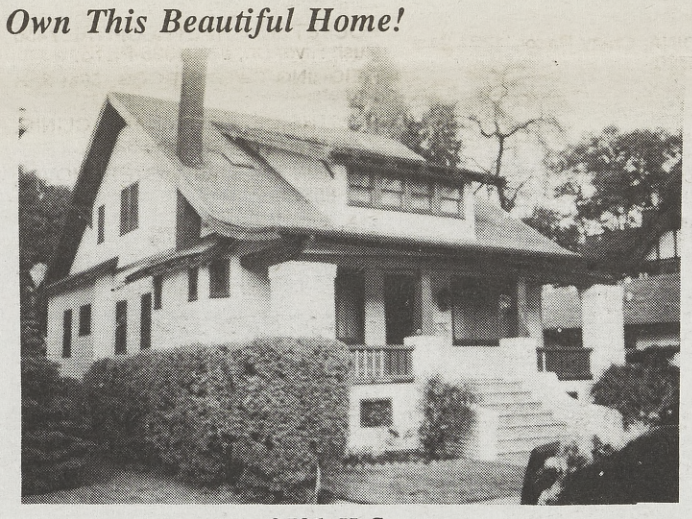

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JANUARY

15 - Friday

YOUTH GROUP 5:45 pm, Lambda Center, 442-0185.

CAFE LAMBDA 8 pm to midnight. Lambda Center, 442-0185.

16 - Saturday

QUEEN IDA, , 7 & 9:30pm, $13-$14, Palms Playhouse, Davis, 923-BASS, 449-5181, 756-4943.

SAC. COUNCIL OF DOG CLUBS, Annual Money Match, Dixon-May Fairgrounds, Diane Heldebrant, 485-5950.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CULTURAL WEEKEND, 10am-4pm, Community Convention Center, 13th & J Sts.; 456-3836.

RUNNING GROUP for Gay men and lesbians, all levels welcome, 387-8275 or 444-2835.

YOUTH SOCIAL 6 - 12am, Lambda Center, 442-0185.

CHILDREN'S THEATRE Co. of Minneapolis. UCD Presents. 757-3199.

17 - Sunday

SACRAMENTO P-FLAG, 7:30pm, St. Marks United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Marks Way, 665-1050.

ASIAN PACIFIC SISTERHOOD, 4pm, Lorrie 758-0195, Kahi 756-0277.

18 - Monday

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.'S BIRTHDAY.

JYL LYNN FELMAN, Author of Hot Chicken Wings, Lioness Bookstore, 2224 J St., 7pm.

WORRIED WELL Group for Seronegative People, 6:30, SAF 920 20th St. Jerry 448-2437.

19 - Tuesday

GOLDEN GATE BUSINESS ASSOC. BOARD MEETING, First Light Cafe, 1475 Polk St., S.F., 5:30pm, (415) 441-3651.

WOMEN OF COLOR, 6:30pm, Lambda Center, 442-0185.

SLCC , 7pm, Lambda Center, 451-0288.

SALUTE TO DAVID MIXNER, 4pm, Capital Hilton, Washington, DC.

SACRAMENTO CHAPTER, P-FLAG MEETING, 7:30pm, St. Marks United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Marks Way.

AUDITIONS for "The Amen Corner," Sacramento City Actors Theatre, 7 pm Art Court Theatre. 558-2228.

HEART TO HEART HIV+ Support group for Gay/Bi males, 6:30, SAF, 920 20th St. Jerry 448-2437.

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20 - Wednesday

CLINTON INAUGURATION

LAMBDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, *6:30pm, Lambda Center, 442-0185.*

THE MEN'S SESSION Meeting erotic needs safely. 7pm, SAF, 920 20th St. 448-2437.

GLSA SAC CITY Meeting, 1 pm, B222 Sac. City College.

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21 - Thursday

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BUTTE COUNTY NAMES QUILT PROJECT, 5pm, Stonewall Alliance Center, Chico, 893-3336.

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BEING ALIVE LIVING ROOM 2pm, Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185 .

WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP, 6pm, Lambda Center, 1931 L St., 442-0185.

SEX RAP, 7pm, Lambda Center, 442-0185.

CODA, 7:30pm, Lambda Center, 442-0185.

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22 - Friday

HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS, 7:30pm, $17-$19, Arco Arena, 928-6900, 923-2277.

YOUTH GROUP 5:45 pm, Lambda Center, 19th & L, 442-0185.

YOUTH AA 8 pm, Lambda Center, 19th & L, 442-0185.

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COUNTRY WESTERN, SWING & LINE DANCE CLASSES, by John Batchelor, MCC Grand Ballroom, $28/person, 453-8991.

ROYAL WINNIPEG BALLET, Community Concert Series, 8pm, Community Convention Center Theater, 14th & L Sts, 264-5181.

SURVIVOR'S ALLIANCE, 7pm, Lambda Center, 442-0185.

MEN'S COMING OUT GROUP 5:30 pm. *Lambda Center, 442-0185.*

WOMEN'S RAP GROUP 7:15 Lambda Center, 442-0185.

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29 - Friday

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA HOME SHOW, 29th-30th, 10am-9pm, 31st: 10am-6pm, Community Convention Center Exhibit Hall, 13th & J Sts., 264-5181.

YOUTH GROUP 5:45 pm, Lambda Center, 442-0185.

CAFE LAMBDA 8 pm to midnight. Lambda Center, 442-0185.

BALLET FOLKLORICA "Quetzalli" de Veracruz. UCD Presents. 757-3199.

COMMON SENSE DOG TRAINING With Joan Guertin, 6:30pm, 6241-2 Fair Oaks Blvd, Hillside Shopping Center. Reservations, 485-2201.

30 - Saturday

RECEPTION for Anne Rudin, 2pm, Riverview Plaza, 6th & I Sts.

THE HARRY S. TRUMAN DEMOCRATIC CLUB The New Democratic Party: Meeting the Challenge, speakers: John Garamendi, Tom Hayden, Bill Press, Clarion Hotel, 9am-4pm, RSVP by Jan. 25: 924-6774.

PIG BOWL, Annual football game between Sac. City Police and Sac. County Sheriff's Depts, 12:30pm, $5 - $7, Hornet Stadium, CSUS, 6000 J St., 399-9051.

RUNNING GROUP for Gay men and lesbians, all levels welcome. 387-8275 or 444-2835.

YOUTH SOCIAL 6 - 12am. Lambda Center, 442-0185.

ROBIN HOOD REVISITED, Coronation '93, 7pm, Holiday Inn, Chico, $20, 891-0627.

ARTIST'S SYMPOSIUM "Ceramic figures," $4-$6. Crocker Art Museum, 216 O St. 264-5423.

MS. SAC. VALLEY LEATHER CONTEST, 8pm, Joseph's Town & Country, $8-$15.

31 - Sunday

AN EVENING WITH STEVEN FORREST, Fair Oaks Clubhouse, $12-$15, 863-0170.

SAC. COUNCIL OF DOG CLUBS, Educational Seminar, Holiday Inn North, 9am-5pm, $40, 485-2201.

ASIAN PACIFIC SISTERHOOD, 4pm, Lorrie 758-0195, Kahi 756-0277.

▼GALLERIES▼

ARC Art Gallery 4700 College Oak Dr. 484-8433.

Archival Framing Gallery, Narrative Quilts by Linda Delgado, Jan. 5-Jan. 29. 1729 L St., 444-9624.

Crocker Art Museum, 3rd & O St., 264-5423. "Table Manners" Thru Jan 17, "Sac High Art" Jan 13 - Mar 8, "Tesoros de la Tierra" Jan 21 - Mar 7, "En el Ojo de Ollin" Jan 22 - Apr 4.

IDEA Gallery "Bout Bicycles," Jan 9 - 30. Reception Jan. 9, 5:30pm. 3414 4th Ave 452-0949

John Natsoulas Gallery, 140 F St., Davis, 756-3938.

Joyce Abreu Gallery, 3712 Auburn Blvd., 488-1211.

Kondos Art Gallery, SCC, 12th Ave & Freeport, 451-8815.

La Raza Galeria Posada, 704 O St., 446-5133.

Labyrinth Gallery, World Art Valentine by Phil Dynan, thru Feb. 4, 916 24th St., 443-3906.

Lite Rail Gallery, 922 12th St, 441-1013.

Matrix Gallery, 1725 I St., 441-4818.

Michael Himovitz Gallery, Clayton Pinkerton, Bernice Sender, Miriam Zizmor, till Feb. 6, 1020 10th, 448-8723.

Muffins Etc. 1404 28th St. 452-1829.

Richard L. Nelson Gallery, Selections from the Collection: Artists' Book, thru March 25; Conrad Atkinson: Selected Works, Jan. 25-March 12, reception: Jan. 24, 3-5pm, UCD, 752-8500.

Paragary's Bar & Oven, Mike Jimena: One Man Show, thru Feb. 12, 28 & N St..

Sac Assoc. for the Retarded, 19th Annual "A Very Special Art Show," Jan. 18-22, Reception: Jan. 15, 7pm-9pm, Cal Expo Bldgs. 2-5, 452-4743.

SAC Valley Photographic Art Center, 702 57th St.

The Shenandoah Gallery, Anthony Montanino, paintings, Christian Wieser, sculpture. Thru Jan 30. 12300 Steiner Rd., Plymouth, 209-245-4455.

University Union Exhibit Lounge, CSUS 6000 J St., 278-7250, 278-6595.

▼THEATRE▼

CALL FOR TIMES, COSTS, ETC.

Actors Theater of S.F., "Raft of the Medusa," Jan.29-March 7, 553 Sutter St., S.F., (415) 296-9179.

ARC Theatre Arts , 4700 College Oak DR. 484-8234. "Rosencrantz & Guilderstern." Feb 26 - Mar 6; "You Can't Take It With You," Apr 23 - May 1.

Carmichael Civic Theatre, "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz," Feb. 26-March 6, $10, 5802 Robertson Ave., Carmichael, 489-6880, 483-2775.

Crest Theatre 1013 K St.

Davis Comic Opera Company. Veteran's Memorial Theatre, 14th & B Sts, Davis.

Lambda Players Torch Song Trilogy" Jan. 8 - 30, YWCA Theatre, 1122 17th St., 442-7752,

Lines Contemporary Ballet, March 18-28, Cowell Theater, fort Mason, S.F., $15-$25, (415) 281-8383.

Music Circus Broadway Series, Community Convention Center Theater, 14th & L Sts.; 264-5181.

The Sacramento Ballet "Carmina Burana" Feb. 11 - 14, "Cinderella" Apr 8 - 11.

SAC City Actors Theater, 3835 Freeport, 558-2228. "Macbeth" Jan 8 - 30

Sacramento Theater Co., "Twelfth Night," Jan.15-March 7, $12-$22, 1419 H St., 443-6722.

The Show Below, "A Man For All Seasons," Jan. 15-Feb. 20, $13, 22nd & L St., 446-2787.

Studio Theate 127-a Bank St, Grass Valley 273-2730. .

Theater Rhinoceros, 2926 16th St., S.F., 415-861-5079. "Crying Holy" Jan 16 - Feb 20. "Jumping the Broom" Feb 11-28. "Living on Salvation Street" Mar 27 - May 1. "Coconut" Jun 3-26.

Tribad Productions, Five Corners Theatre, Petaluma 707-545-9806.

University Theatre, CSUS, 6000 J St., 278-6368. "Boys From Syracuse" Mar. 5 -21. "Waiting For Godot" Mar 25 - Apr 3, "Metropolis" Apr 23 - May 9, "Mighty Gents" May 6 - 16,

Master Calender

March on Washington	April 23 -26
CAP PAC Annual Dinner	June 5
Lambda Awards Dinner	June 10
Sac. Freedom Fair	June 12
S.F. G/L Film Festival	June 18-27
L.A. Gay Pride Parade	June 19
S.F. Gay Pride Parade	June 27
Northwest Games, Seattle	July 4-6
MGW Anniversary	November
Gay Games - New York	June, 1994

FEBRUARY

1 - Monday

WORRIED WELL Group for Seronegative People, 6:30, SAF 920 20th St. Jerry 448-2437.

MARDI GRAS GALORE UCD Presents. 757-3199.

COMMON SENSE DOG TRAINING With Joan Guertin. 6:30 Johnson Springview Park, Rocklin, RSVP 485-2201.

2 - Tuesday

CIOPPINO NIGHT at Elkhorn Station, Highway 16, W. Sac., created by famous MGW Chef Marghe Covino, every 1st Tues. 372-5068.

HEART TO HEART HIV+ Support group for Gay/Bi males, 6:30, SAF, 920 20th St. Jerry 448-2437.

BEING GAY TODAY Lesbian and gay TV program, Cable 18, 10 pm.

3 - Wednesday

Photo special to MGW

"Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow" winter dance programs with Shelby Patton and Michael Swilley set for February 3, 6, 7.

1993 SAMMIES, 7pm, Community Convention Center, 264-5181.

GLSA SAC CITY Meeting, 1 pm, B222 Sac. City College.

4 - Thursday

GLSA SAC CITY Meeting, 7 pm, A20 Sac. City College.

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5 - Friday

KEVIN'S BIRTHDAY. Happy 27th Love.

WKND. FOR PERSONAL & PROFESSIONAL GROWTH, Natl. Assoc. of Women for Understanding, University of Calif., Riverside, (310) 657-1115.

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE or Women Making Music Retreat (April 2-5), $150-$250, (503) 482-9122.

March on Washington

April 23-26, from $769

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